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SUBJECT: Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the Publication Procurement
and Exploitation Conference, 9 January 1957 (U)

TO: See Distribution

1. (UNCLASSIFIED) The following personnel were present at the meeting:

Mr R. W. Bauer (Chairman)	CDCFR
Mr H. J. Dougherty	PREUSP
Capt J. Aaron	CCIA
CWO M. V. Harrison	CCIA
Mr F. T. Nicoletti	OCE/AMS
Mr D. W. Platt	OCE/AMS
Dr W. Frank	OCE/AMS
Dr I. D. Dickman	OTSG
Mr H. Just	SCIA
Mr R. F. Waring	TCTIA

2. (UNCLASSIFIED) The fifth meeting convened at 1000 hours,
9 January 1957. The minutes of the fourth meeting were accepted without
change.

3. (UNCLASSIFIED) The Chairman provided the representatives of each
agency with a copy of the minutes of the 31st meeting of the Subcommittee
on Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications.

4. (UNCLASSIFIED) Before discussing the first item on the agenda,
the following items were discussed:

a. The Chairman was asked whether there were plans to trans-
late the Soviet "Reference Journals." He stated he would check this
and report his findings at the next meeting.

b. In answer to a question concerning the status of the list of
reports published by Foreign Documents Division, CIA (see paragraph 4

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of the Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the Publication Procurement and Exploitation Conference), the Chairman stated that the list was not completed but would be ready shortly.

e. The Signal Corps representative asked whether it would be possible to have a representative of Air Force address the conference on the publication procurement and exploitation activities of that service. In particular, he was interested in the methods Air Force uses to reduce duplication of effort. The Chairman replied that he would try to have a representative present at the next meeting.

5. (CONFIDENTIAL) Consideration of the Revision of ICM No. 23 and Preparation of Similar ICM's on Areas Other Than the USSR. The Chairman opened the discussion by stating that ICM No. 23 was now considerably outdated and required a complete revision. For example, many of the periodical titles which were listed are now readily available for subscription. The revised ICM would include a listing of all known periodicals of intelligence value which can not be obtained regularly by subscription. The Chairman also suggested that hard-to-get Satellite publications should be similarly covered either in separate country ICM's or in the revised Soviet ICM.

6. (CONFIDENTIAL) The SigC representative proposed that the revision take the form of an ICG rather than an ICM. The Chairman pointed out that Sino-Soviet-Bloc publication procurement presented unique problems which would not have the general applicability required in an ICG, and the majority of the conferees agreed that the ICM would be the most suitable vehicle. The problem of priorities was also considered at some length, and it was the consensus of opinion that individual publication titles should not be assigned a priority as this would tend to restrict the collection agencies unnecessarily.

7. (CONFIDENTIAL) During the discussion, the following recommendations and conclusions were made:

a. OACSI would prepare the revised ICM and would incorporate material supplied by the Technical Services in response to a D/F; other agencies, such as CIA, would be contacted for titles of hard-to-get periodicals and publications.

b. Prior to preparing the ICM, a check would be made to determine if a satisfactory general guide already existed in some other IAC agency.

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c. The ICM should consist of a general guide which would be applicable to the USSR and the Eastern European Satellites, attached to which would be separate country lists of hard-to-get periodicals. The guide should include a list of types of monographs desired by the various agencies, arranged in accordance with priorities; the periodical list should be arranged alphabetically.

d. For the purpose of the ICM, the term "periodical" will be construed to include all serial publications issued regularly and more frequently than annually, and the term "monograph" will refer to all other publications. (Personal and similar documents will be outside the scope and purview of the ICM.)

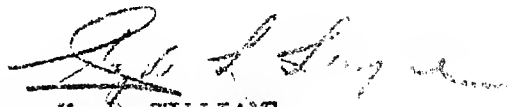
e. The ICM should include guidance concerning the procurement of publications pertaining to a Bloc country but published in another Bloc country or in a non-Bloc country.

8. (CONFIDENTIAL) Preparation of a Guide to Exploitation of Sino-Soviet-Bloc Publications. The Chairman circulated copies of "Guide to Exploitation of Satellite Newspapers for Military and Naval Information," which was prepared by OACSI in 1954 for the use of FDD in its exploitation program. He pointed out that this guide was suggestive rather than definitive and that it was heavily weighted toward the procurement of order of battle information. The Chairman stated that exploitation personnel had often indicated the need for a comprehensive guide which could be used for training purposes as well as the actual exploitation of Sino-Soviet-Bloc publications and documents. The conferees agreed that the proposed guide would be useful and it was suggested that the 1954 guide be circulated informally to the conferees in order to obtain suggestions for expansion of this guide into a general purpose document. Although the 1954 guide was classified SECRET, the Chairman expressed the belief that it could now be regraded to CONFIDENTIAL and this would facilitate its dissemination.

9. (UNCLASSIFIED) The next conference will be held on 13 February 1957 at 1000 hours in Pentagon Room 2C458. A new agenda is attached hereto.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, INTELLIGENCE:

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